CHAPTER 91

PROFESSIONS AND OCCUPATIONS

HOUSE BILL 99-1217

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AN ACT

CONCERNING ELECTRICAL LICENSE RECIPROCITY.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:

SECTION 1. 12-23-104 (2), Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW PARAGRAPH to read:

- **12-23-104. Oath meetings powers.** (2) In addition to all other powers and duties conferred or imposed upon the board by this article, the board is authorized to:
- (j) Enter into reciprocal licensing agreements with the electrical board, or its equivalent, of another state or states where the qualifications for electrical licensing are substantially equivalent to licensure requirements in Colorado.

SECTION 2. 12-23-109, Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

12-23-109. License by endorsement or reciprocity. The board may issue an electrical license by endorsement in this state to any person who is licensed to practice in another jurisdiction if such person presents proof satisfactory to the board that, at the time of application for a Colorado license by endorsement, the person possesses credentials and qualifications which THAT are substantially equivalent to requirements in Colorado for licensure. by examination. THE BOARD SHALL ISSUE AN ELECTRICAL LICENSE BY RECIPROCITY WHERE A RECIPROCAL AGREEMENT FOR AN EQUIVALENT LICENSE EXISTS, PURSUANT TO SECTION 12-23-104 (2) (a), BETWEEN THE BOARD AND THE ELECTRICAL BOARD, OR ITS EQUIVALENT, OF THE STATE OR STATES WHERE THE APPLICANT IS LICENSED. The board may specify by rule and regulation what shall constitute substantially equivalent credentials and qualifications. and may

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further require a waiting period of six months after the issuance of a license in another state before issuing a license in Colorado.

SECTION 3. Safety clause. The general assembly hereby finds, determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.

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